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Case - Timothy N. Pfeiffer,
Subject - Homicide, New Brunswick, N.J.
Operative - 124.

November 12, 1922. In connection with the above matter, Operative proceeded to Paterson, N.J., and upon arrival there finally located Mr. Joe Kossak, at #308 Pacific St., Paterson, N.J.

Operative questioned Mr. Kossak as to what he knew concerning Mrs. Gibson - Whereupon Mr. Kossak related to Operative, the following story.

During the early Summer of the Year 1918, a cow belonging to Mr. Kossak broke through the fence and went into the truck garden of Mrs. Gibson. Mrs. Gibson seized the cow and kept it in her shed and then sent word over to Mr. Kossak telling him that his cow had damaged her crop and that if he would give her \$5.00 she would return the cow - Mr. Kossak then paid Mrs. Gibson the required \$5.00, and the cow was returned to him. About one year later, or during the late Spring of the year 1919, two of Mrs. Gibson's horses entered the cornfields of Mr. Kossak, and destroyed a considerable amount of his young corn. Mr. Kossak upon finding Mrs. Gibson's horses in his cornfield, took them and locked them in his barn. Sometime during the same day Willie Easton, the son of Mrs. Gibson, called on Mrs. Kossak and requested her to give him the horses. Mrs. Kossak then told Willie Easton to tell his mother that if she would send back the \$5.00, she could have her horses. A little later in the day, Willie Easton, Mrs. Gibson, and the supposed brother of Mrs. Gibson, (Bill Whittaker) came over to the Kossak house and demanded Mrs. Kossak to release the horses - Upon Mrs. Kossak refusing to do so, Mrs. Gibson and Bill Whittaker administered a terrible beating to Mrs. Kossak, forcibly taking the keys to the barn away from her, opening the barn and taking the horses back to the Gibson place.

When Mrs. Gibson and Bill Whittaker took the horses from Mrs. Kossak's barn, they also took a bunch of keys, a lock and two new halters belonging to Mr. Kossak. The above mentioned articles were never returned.